

## **JLG Forklift Chain**

Following retirement in the late 1960's, John L. Grove embarked on a cross country RV trip. After spending numerous years establishing his family built crane company with his brother, John had no idea that this journey would give birth to the rise of JLG Industries, Inc. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision materials handling technologies was the end result of a road trip.

While on their trip, John spent time conversing with past business acquaintances whom the Groves stopped to visit along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic occurrence-two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were traveling to the Hoover Dam- John discovered a vast market for a product that could swiftly and securely lift individuals in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building services.

Upon returning from their travels, John established a joint venture with two friends and purchased a metal fabrication business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty personnel, they designed and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The company incorporates some of the simple design elements of that original lift into existing designs.

JLG lift trucks have come a ways from the time when Mr. John L. Grove came back to town from his cross-country road trip and since the first aerial work platform debuted on the market. Today, the company proudly continues to expand itself into many markets worldwide and develops new products to make certain clients are capable of being more effective and perform in the workplace within a safer environment.